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More application of: Pellet and Sanchez-Martinez

Patent No. 6,126,944

Issued: October 3, 2000

Application No. 08/480,850

Filed: June 7, 1995

Confirmation No. 9684

For: BACULOVIRUS EXPRESSION VECTORS
AND RECOMBINANT ANTIGENS FOR
DETECTING TYPE-SPECIFIC
ANTIBODIES TO HERPES SIMPLEX
VIRUS

Examiner: Louise N. Leary

Art Unit: 1623

Attorney Reference No. 6395-87124-02

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The above-identified patent became abandoned on November 3, 2008, for failure to timely pay the maintenance fee. Applicants hereby petition for the revival of this patent. Enclosed with this petition are:

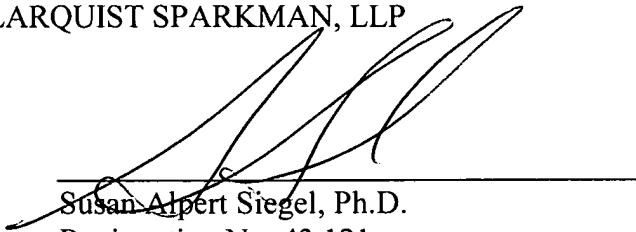
- (1) The Petition Fee of \$540.00 is submitted herewith for payment of the Petition fee required by 37 CFR. § 1.17(I).
- (2) The maintenance fee of \$2,480.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20 (e)-(g) is submitted herewith.
- (3) The surcharge of \$700.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(i)(1) is submitted herewith.
- (4) A Declaration of Valentin Fikovsky documenting that the entire delay from the abandonment of this patent to the filing of this petition was unavoidable and enumerating the steps taken to ensure timely payment, the date and manner in which the Assignee became aware of the expiration of the patent, and the steps taken to file the petition promptly. Valentin Fikovsky was the case manager for the Assignee and thus is in a position to know that the delay was unavoidable.
- (5) Documents in support of the Declaration of Valentin Fikovsky (Exhibits A-F).

- (6) Power of Attorney by Assignee and Statement Under 37 CRG 3.73(b)
- (7) Notice of Assignment Recordation, dated September 26, 1994, Reel 7166, Frame 0602 and executed Assignment.
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DECLARATION OF VALENTIN FIKOVSKY

1. I, Valentin Fikovsky, am the case manager for the above referenced patent on behalf of the Assignee, which is The United States of America as Represented by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (hereinafter "the Government"). I am employed by the Government at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (hereinafter "the CDC") in Atlanta, Georgia. The assignment for this patent is recorded at Reel 7166 Frame 0602. A copy of the assignment is attached to our Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b).

2. I currently maintain the file for U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944 on behalf of the CDC. I have been employed as a Patent Advisor by the Technology Transfer Office for the CDC since April 14, 2008. The previous case manager for this patent was Russ Metler who retired from CDC in June of 2007. Suzanne Shope acted as the case manager from the date of Russ Metler's retirement until I assumed responsibility for this file on or about April 14, 2008.

3. This patent issued on October 3, 2000. A Power of Attorney was submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for this matter on June 5, 2001, authorizing CDC's contract law firm Needle & Rosenberg, P.C. to act on behalf of the Assignee.¹ Needle & Rosenberg arranged the payment of the first maintenance fee on behalf of the CDC, and this fee was paid on March 29, 2004. Attached as Exhibit A is a copy of a printout of the Patent Bibliographic Data for this patent from the US Patent and Trademark Office; this printout documents the payment of the first maintenance fee.

4. As prescribed by federal procurement and contractual policies, the CDC is limited to using specific law firms that are retained under a Government patent services contract. On September 1, 2006, the CDC awarded a new seven-year patent services contract to two law firms. These two firms were Klarquist Sparkman LLP (hereinafter "Klarquist Sparkman") and Gifford, Krass, Sprinkle, Anderson & Citowski, P.C. (hereinafter "Gifford Krass"). As Needle & Rosenberg was no longer a designated contract law firm for the CDC, Needle & Rosenberg began transferring the active files to the new contract attorneys, Klarquist Sparkman and Gifford Krass at the request of the CDC. According to CDC procedures, files for patents and applications that were in active prosecution or required other action (such as payment of maintenance fees) were transferred from Needle & Rosenberg directly to one of the two law firms awarded the new patent services contract. Files for expired patents and abandoned patent applications were shipped from Needle & Rosenberg directly to the CDC for storage at the CDC Technology Transfer Office in Atlanta, Ga. However, the transfers occurred over an extended period of time as funds already obligated to Needle & Rosenberg under the prior contract were depleted. Thus, Needle & Rosenberg remained responsible for U.S. Patent No. 6,293,944 until the obligated funds for that matter were depleted.

5. Pursuant to this policy, Needle & Rosenberg shipped to Klarquist Sparkman approximately 142 files related to seventeen different technologies that had been and were being prosecuted in the United States and many corresponding foreign countries. Needle & Rosenberg shipped to Gifford Krass approximately 60 files related to ten different technologies. These transferred matters included many files for which the patent maintenance fees were to be tracked

¹ Ballard and Spar acquired Needle & Rosenberg in June of 2008, but retained this place of business.

and paid in the U.S. and abroad. The CDC had detailed procedures in place for receiving notification from its contract firms about maintenance fees that were to be paid, and providing instructions and funding under the government contracts to pay the maintenance fees. The contract law firms routinely send CDC a spread sheet containing a list of the fees to be paid in a particular month, and the CDC sends back instructions to the law firms for payment or non-payment of the fees. These procedures have been very effective in tracking and paying the maintenance fees. For example, Klarquist Sparkman paid 557 U.S. and foreign maintenance fees for issued and pending applications on behalf of the CDC during the first three contract years (September 1, 2006-August 31, 2009).² Of these 557 fees that were timely paid, 36 were for maintaining issued U.S. Patents. Under the successful procedures, Gifford Krass paid 192 maintenance fees for issued and pending applications during the first three contract years (September 1, 2006-August 31, 2009). Of these 192 maintenance fees, 11 were for maintaining issued U.S. patents. Thus 749 maintenance fees were successfully paid by the CDC contract law firms during the first three contract years. U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944 and related U.S. Patent No. 6,013,433 were exceptions to the otherwise successful implementation of procedures to track and pay patent maintenance fees.

6. Under the policy described above, only inactive patent files that included information on expired patents and abandoned patent applications were to be shipped directly to the CDC. All active patent prosecution files (including issued patents for which maintenance fees were to be paid) were to be shipped from Needle & Rosenberg directly to one of the new patent services contract firms. For reasons that are not clear, the patent file for active U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944 was shipped directly to CDC, contrary to CDC policy under which only inactive matters were shipped directly to CDC.

7. On May 14, 2008, Ms. Shope emailed me to ask me to help track down a related patent file, US Patent No. 6,013,433. I had only recently begun working at CDC and was still familiarizing myself with its procedures. Our file tracking system indicated that the patent file for U.S. Patent No. 6,013,433 (CDC reference number E-021-91/1) was still at Needle &

² Of the 557 maintenance fees paid by Klarquist Sparkman, not all of them were for the 142 files transferred under the September 2006 contract, because Klarquist Sparkman already had a substantial portfolio of CDC cases before

Rosenberg. Ms. Shope noted that there was no indication in our records that its maintenance fee was paid, nor was there any indication that the patent file was properly transferred to Gifford Krass or Klarquist Sparkman. A copy of Ms. Shope's email is attached as Exhibit B.

On May 15, 2008, I responded to Ms. Shope noting that we did not receive notices that the maintenance fees were due for four patents, including U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944. The maintenance fee for that patent was due no later than October 3, 2008. As the CDC did not have a contracting service provider exclusively to monitor, track and pay annuity payments, I suggested that we investigate whether it was possible to pay CDC maintenance fees by credit card. A copy of these emails is attached as Exhibit C. At that time, this patent was licensed, and thus the maintenance fee should have been paid. I began to investigate the procedures for paying maintenance fees directly, such as by credit card, and those discussions continued for many months because of the complexity of federal contracting regulations and procedures.

8. On November 20, 2008, Needle & Rosenberg sent a letter to the CDC forwarding a Notice of Abandonment and their electronic summary noting that the file had been shipped to the CDC on September 28, 2008. A copy of this letter and Notice is attached as Exhibit D. This letter was received by Francisco Candal on December 4, 2008, who forwarded it to me, Dr. Andrew Watkins, Director of Technology Transfer of the CDC, and the licensing staff of the CDC. A copy of this email is attached as Exhibit E. I was continuing my investigation into the possibility of retaining an outside contractor to take over the payment of maintenance fees and annuities.

9. The CDC receives in excess of approximately 1500 official notices from law firms each year which are successfully docketed and tracked in our electronic database. For unknown reasons, this Notice of Patent Expiration was not entered into our electronic database (Inteum). Therefore, the deadline to revive this patent was not entered into our docketing system. Normally this would not present a problem, because maintenance fee payment and revival deadlines are tracked by our outside contract law firms on whom we rely to remind us of the deadlines and arrange for payment of the fees. However, since this file was not sent from Needle

& Rosenberg directly to one of our new patent firms (Klarquist Sparkman or Gifford Kass), but instead was shipped directly to CDC in boxes that contained both active and abandoned matters, they were diverted from our normal successful maintenance fee payment system.

10. On April 13, 2011, a search in PAIR was performed, to determine the patent term of U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944 in order to determine how long the CDC would continue to collect royalties on the licenses for this patent. At that time, it was confirmed that the second maintenance fee was never paid. On April 13, 2011 the CDC database (Inteum) still indicated that U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944 was issued and in good standing. There was no notation in our internal database that this patent had been abandoned. On April 13, 2011 the boxes that were shipped from Needle & Rosenberg directly to CDC for storage were reviewed and the patent file for U.S. Patent No. 6,126,944 was located in those boxes. On April 18, 2011, I contacted one of our contract law firms, Klarquist Sparkman, and requested that they take any action required to revive this patent and pay the maintenance fee. I sent the patent file from Needle & Rosenberg to Klarquist Sparkman LLP on April 22, 2011. A copy of the shipment receipt is attached as Exhibit F. Since that time I and others at the CDC have worked diligently with Klarquist Sparkman to reconstruct the events that resulted in nonpayment of the second maintenance fee, and to prepare this Declaration documenting those events.

11. Thus, there were systems in place at the CDC for the transfer of active patent files directly to contract patent firms and for the tracking and payment of maintenance fees through those contract patent firms. Those systems have functioned well for the tracking and payment of hundreds of renewal fees for CDC's U.S. and international patent portfolios. There also is an internal computer system for tracking the status of issued patents and patent applications. Although these procedures and systems routinely operate successfully to assure the timely payment of CDC maintenance fees, this patent was diverted from our normal file transfer procedures which resulted in it not being docketed, tracked and paid by our contract law firm.

12. All statements made herein and of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information are believed to be true; and further, these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that any such willful false statements made may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date

May 27, 2011V. Fikovsky

Valentin Fikovsky

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EXHIBIT A

From: Shope, Suzanne (CDC/OSLS/LSPPPO) <awd8@cdc.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2008 4:03 PM
To: Fikovsky, Valentin (CDC/OSLS/LSPPPO)
Subject: RE: Your Reference No. E-021-91/1; N&R Reference No. 14114.0368U4

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To: Shope, Suzanne (CDC/OD/OCSO); Robertson, Cynthia (CDC/OD/OCSO)
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Dear Ms. Shope:

With regard to the above-referenced matter, please note that the 8th year maintenance fee is now due. Our accounting department has advised me that this matter does not have adequate funding for us to pay the maintenance fee; therefore, we will need you to **provide us with a request for Task Order revision**. We estimate the cost of paying the maintenance fee will be \$2,445.00. The final deadline to submit payment for

this maintenance fee will expire on January 11, 2008. We will not be able to take action in the absence of adequate funding.

We look forward to hearing from you regarding this matter.

With regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 12:30 PM
To: William Noonan, M.D.; Susan Alpert Siegel, Ph.D.
Subject: FW: Your Reference No. E-021-91/1; N&R Reference No. 14114.0368U4

-----Original Message-----

From: Watkins, Andrew (CDC/OD/OCSO)
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2008 1:06 PM
To: Shope, Suzanne (CDC/OD/OCSO); Fikovsky, Valentin (CDC/OD/OCSO); Candal, Francisco (Paco) (CDC/OD/OCSO)
Subject: Re: Your Reference No. E-021-91/1; N&R Reference No. 14114.0368U4

Are these all licensed? If not, should we evaluate the wisdom of paying an 8 year maintenance fee before the CCID division director does that for us? If we should abandon due to age and lack of interest or lack of need for future position, I would prefer that recommendation come first from TTO, with a request to the division director to help evaluate the current and future scientific status of the invention.

Andrew

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We've never tried to pay by credit card. I wonder if we could use CCID's credit card to pay these fees?

Andrew and Paco, do you have any suggestions??

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There are four issued patent cases in which Needle did not send out reminders. This is one of them Cases are:

I-010-98 Wang et al

Method for the Determination of Hexavalent Chromium Using Ultrasonication

and Strong Anion Exchange Solid Phase Extraction -

US 6,808,931, issued 10/26/2004

4th year fee was due 4/26/08

In grace period. We need to pay with surcharge by 10/28/08 otherwise the patent lapses

E-210-94 Zeng et al

Acoustical Method and System for Measuring Barrier Membrane Thickness Correspondent Area Distribution

Using Maximum Transmission or Maximum Reflection Coefficients

6,089,094 issued July 18, 2000

8th year fee was due Jan 18, 2008

With surcharge we need to pay with surcharge by 7/18/08 else it lapses

E-021-91 Pellett et al

Recombinant Baculoviruses Expressing HSV-type Specific Antigens, gG-1 and gG-2

6,126,944 issued Oct. 3, 2000

8th year fee was due 4/3/2008

We need to pay with surcharge by 10/3/08 else it lapses

I-012-96 Critchfield et al

Method and Compositions for Inhibition of Viral Replication

6,274,611 issued 8/14/2001

Fee is due 2/24/2009, no surcharge

Given we have no CPA can we pay using the credit card? Or do we need task orders (I can't do these, my computer has no capability).

What do you think?

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RE: Transfer of File Material
N&R Ballard Spahr Reference No: 14114.0368U2

Dear Paco:

We are transferring the enclosed correspondence to you with the understanding that our firm is no longer responsible for the handling of this case.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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According to the records of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), payment of the maintenance fee for the patent(s) listed below has not been received timely prior to the end of the six-month grace period in accordance with 37 CFR 1.362(e). THE PATENT(S) LISTED BELOW HAS THEREFORE EXPIRED AS OF THE END OF THE GRACE PERIOD. 35 U.S.C. 41(b). Notice of the expiration will be published in the USPTO Official Gazette.

Expired patents may be reinstated in accordance with 37 CFR 1.378 if upon petition, the maintenance fee and the surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(i) are paid, AND the delay in payment of the maintenance fee is shown to the satisfaction of the Director to have been unavoidable or unintentional. 35 U.S.C. 41(c)(1).

If the Director accepts payment of the maintenance fee and surcharge upon petition under 37 CFR 1.378, the patent shall be considered as not having expired but would be subject to the intervening rights and conditions set forth in 35 U.S.C. 41(c)(2).

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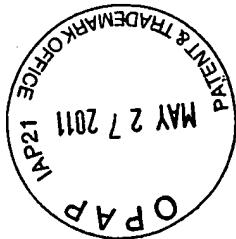
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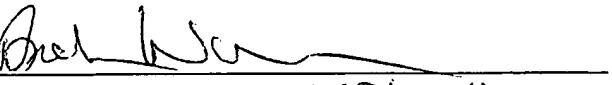
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WHEREAS, I, am an applicant named in the above-identified application for Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, the conditions under which said invention was made are such as to entitle THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA [hereinafter THE GOVERNMENT] under Paragraph 1(a) of Executive Order 10096 to the entire right, title, and interest herein, both domestic and foreign; and

WHEREAS, THE GOVERNMENT is desirous of acquiring all domestic and foreign right, title, and interest in the above-mentioned invention described in the application for Letters Patent; and

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I hereby assign and transfer to THE GOVERNMENT, represented by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, the full and exclusive rights in and to said invention in the United States and within each and every foreign country in which THE GOVERNMENT elects to file and the entire right, title, and interest in and to such applications, and any continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, reissues or extensions thereof, and including priority

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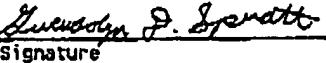
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WHEREAS, I am an applicant named in the above-identified application for Letters Patent; and

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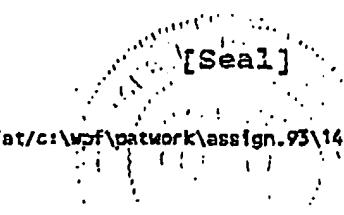
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